THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) There has been a reduction in infiltration across the border since the start of the peace process. Pakistan has, however, so far not taken any significant action to dismantle the infrastructure of support to terrorism.

Government is monitoring the situation very closely, and has made it clear to Pakistan that the premise on which the present dialogue process is based is the commitment of January 6, 2004 by Pakistan not to permit any territory under Pakistan's control to be used to support terrorism in any manner. In the Joint Statement made during the visit of President Musharraf on April 18, 2005, both countries reaffirmed, *inter alia*, the commitments made in the Joint Press Statement of January 6, 2004.

Road link between Kargil and Skardu

389. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to open road link between Kargil and Skardu in the Pakistan controlled areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the opening of roads between Kashmir and various places in Pakistan have not been found economically viable?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) During President Musharraf's visit to India in April 2005, India proposed to Pakistan opening of a road link between Kargil and Skardu, and has reiterated this proposal subsequently. Pakistan's response is awaited.

Indian investment in Pakistan

390. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Pakistan has recently allowed private investment from India in various fields;